To: Snyder, Raquel[Snyder.Raquel@epa.gov]

From: Ferrell, Mark

Sent: Fri 1/10/2014 7:33:28 PM

Subject: Re: Fwd: Gov. Tomblin provides update on State of Emergency

He's in cycle, facing possibly toughest challenge of his political career, and has deployed a very strong anti-EPA campaign message strategy, as you may know. This situation, however, is very different than a mine discharge, and so only incidentally involves coal industry.

From: Snyder, Raquel

Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 2:24:20 PM

To: Ferrell, Mark

Subject: RE: Fwd: Gov. Tomblin provides update on State of Emergency

Rahall is the one driving the Q's! Not unless you hear from him first-since we are getting slammed with Committee questions right now.

Many thanks,

Raquel Snyder

Congressional Liaison

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From: Ferrell, Mark

Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 2:21 PM

To: Snyder, Raquel

Subject: Re: Fwd: Gov. Tomblin provides update on State of Emergency

I believe Rep. Rahall (D-WV3) is on that committee. I know his CoS well - should I reach out?

From: Snyder, Raquel

Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 2:18:41 PM

To: Ferrell, Mark

Subject: RE: Fwd: Gov. Tomblin provides update on State of Emergency

Sorry. The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee staff

Many thanks,

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From: Ferrell, Mark

Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 2:18 PM

To: Snyder, Raquel

Subject: Re: Fwd: Gov. Tomblin provides update on State of Emergency

T&I?

From: Snyder, Raquel

Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 1:57:44 PM

To: Ferrell, Mark

Subject: RE: Fwd: Gov. Tomblin provides update on State of Emergency

Hi mark,

Do you know what Congressional district this is? My AA is asking.

Also, T&I want a phone briefing Sunday on this situation. Please advise.

Many thanks,

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From: Ferrell, Mark

Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 12:28 PM

To: Snyder, Raquel

Subject: Fw: Fwd: Gov. Tomblin provides update on State of Emergency

From: Mark Ferrell Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy **Sent:** Friday, January 10, 2014 12:27:36 PM

To: Ferrell, Mark

Subject: Fwd: Gov. Tomblin provides update on State of Emergency

Sent from my iPhone

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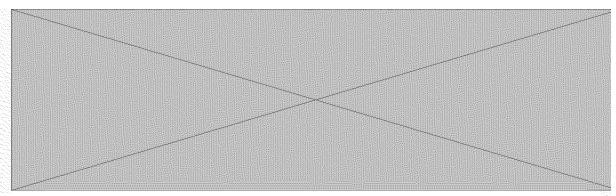
From: "Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin" < govofficecomm@wv.gov>

Date: January 10, 2014 at 10:25:50 AM EST

To: Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

Subject: Gov. Tomblin provides update on State of Emergency

Reply-To: govofficecomm@wv.gov



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Contact: Amy Shuler Goodwin

January 10, 2014

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GOVERNOR TOMBLIN PROVIDES UPDATE REGARDING CURRENT STATE OF EMERGENCY

CHARLESTON, W.Va. - Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin today issued the following statement regarding the current State of Emergency in Boone, Cabell, Clay, Jackson, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Putnam, and Roane counties.

The State of Emergency remains in the affected counties. The Governor dispatched the state's Department of Environmental Protection to Freedom Industries yesterday, ordering it to halt further leaching of the particular chemical into the river.

"Our emergency response team has worked to develop a testing protocol and a sampling plan on the chemical at issue. Initial samples have been taken, and additional sampling and testing will continue throughout the situation.

"The sampling plan is a coordinated effort with West Virginia American Water Company and the state Bureau of Public Health, and our emergency responders. This process will take time, but we continue to work quickly to provide information related to the ability to lift the "do not use" ordered by West Virginia American Water Company.

"Also overnight, water supplies have been relocated and have begun to be distributed to affected areas. Please call your local emergency service office to locate the closest distribution point for your area. Continue to refrain from using the water for drinking, cooking, cleaning, bathing and washing. Do not boil this water or use it to supply oxygen machines.

"Our efforts will continue until we have a resolution. Our main focus continues to center around our hospitals, nursing homes and those most vulnerable.

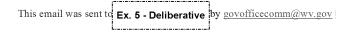
I will continue to keep our citizens updated as we gather additional information."

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